

BEWARE THOSE TINY DEER TICKS

There are a lot more of all kinds of ticks around this summer. They crawl (do not fly) everywhere in the grass and on branches of bushes and plants. Please be sure to check for these ticks, all kinds, on children, yourself, and your pets when you have been outside. You will find them when you least expect to.

Don't forget to protect everyone from mosquito bites using a repellent with DEET. So far we have had no dead birds reported, but let me know, please, if you find one. The State may want to test it. You can reach me at 679 8630

Enjoy the rest of your summer! ~ Trudie Butler, Health Officer

FREMONT GARDEN CLUB

The Fremont Garden Club celebrated its third anniversary on June 20, 2006 with a "pot luck" supper. The club was founded in June 2004, and continues to enjoy success in bringing a sense of civic pride and beautification to the town of Fremont.

The club created The Friendship Garden at the Town Hall, provided heritage planting at the Old Meeting House, maintains gardens at the Fremont Historical Museum and The Safety Complex as well as at the Fremont Cemetery.

The FGC is a member of the NH Federation Of Garden Clubs, Inc. and National Garden Clubs, Inc, New England Region.

The next meeting will be on September 26, 2006 at the Fremont Public Library at 7 pm.

6TH ANNUAL FREMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Come join us for a day of golf, fun and camaraderie with fellow Fremonters. The Fremont Public Library is pleased to announce that it will sponsor its 6th Annual Golf Tournament on Monday, September 11 at the scenic Apple Hill Golf Club, 69 East Road (Route 107) in East Kingston, NH. This event begins at 8:00 am with The Shot Gun Start. The fee per person includes Greens Fee, Golf Cart, and a terrific buffet lunch. There are also great raffle prizes to win, for a hole in one, closest to the pin, longest drive, and 50/50 hole. There will be a great lunch, awards and charity raffle with DJ Ben Kelly.

If you haven't already been a participant in this very popular tournament in years past, you won't want to miss this one. The Tournament which has been sold out in years past, is a fun, worthwhile fundraising event that supports the Fremont Public Library - so don't forget to sign up as soon as possible. Single players are cordially welcome also as teams will be formed.

If you are interested in playing, or becoming a Major Sponsor (includes golf for 4 people, and a tee sponsor sign); sponsoring a Green or Tee, or to be a Cart Sponsor, please contact John Hennelly at 603-770-4144. Don't miss this truly great golf tournament. The Fremont Public Library thanks you in advance for your support. The poster and more information is available on the Town's website at www.Fremont.nh.gov on the Library page.

PARKS & RECREATION

The playground, as approved at Town Meeting, has been ordered for Fremont Memorial Park. Volunteers will be needed for the installation. Contact Renee King at zappa427@comcast.net or by phone at 244-1404 to help with this important project!

Fundraising and the capital reserve funds invested contributed to \$17,900 of the total project cost.

PTA NEWS

Just a reminder we will have our first PTA meeting on Tuesday, August 1, 2006 at 9:00 am at the Town Library. We will be discussing the teacher luncheon, the first grade pencil boxes, and finalizing the fall fundraiser. I hope you can attend to help with the planning.

HOOD SOX TOPS

Now thru October 31, 2006, Ellis School will be collecting Hood Milk Caps in the **Hood Sox Tops For Kids** program. There are now milk bottle collection containers in the Liberty Square Market, Village Market as well as the Fremont Library, Ellis School and the Town Hall. Already over 100 bottle caps have been collected! Thanks to all who are participating. The proceeds benefit the Ellis School Wellness program.

PUMC - KIDS CHOIR

Children in K – 8th grade are cordially invited to join the KIDS (kids In Divine Service) Choir at the People's United Methodist Church. Practices are held in the sanctuary each Sunday morning beginning at 8:30 am and continuing until 9:40 am. The first practice will be held on Sunday September 10, 2006.

Christian songs will be presented once each month during the 11:00 am worship service. On Sunday October 1st we will sing Going to God's House Today.

Dance, costumes, puppets, props and sign language bring excitement to our Children's Music Ministry. Come join the fun. For more information contact Gerry Tilley at 895-2855.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REMINDERS

RSA 236:15 states that any building, structure or fence within or over any highway is a public nuisance. The Highway Department continues to find such obstructions within the highway right-of-way, and they are not permissible. Please remove any such obstruction.

Before any driveway is paved or resurfaced, approval is needed from the Road Agent. Grading and drainage issues need to be checked before any pavement (new or replacement) is installed. Driveway permits and an inspection are also required when installing or relocating your driveway, for improvements such as garage construction. Contact Guerwood Holmes at 300-7429 for more information. Permits are available at the Selectmen's Office, or from the town's website at www.Fremont.nh.gov; on the Building Inspector and Road Agent pages. The Driveway Regulations are available on the Planning Board page. Soon the full driveway permit application will be on the Road Agent page as well.

Remember that the Town's right-of-way is 50 feet wide on most town roads. The right-of-way generally extends 13 feet from the pavement on either side. Do not place any items (landscaping materials, loam, etc) within the drainage swale or within the 13 foot Town right-of-way.

HIGHWAY DRAINAGE WORK

As you know with all the rain we have had, the Highway Department has been constantly repairing washouts. We are noticing that most of the washouts and road damage is caused by poor drainage off the paved way.

Therefore, the Highway Department will start doing roadside drainage work such as making sure shoulders are not higher than the edge of pavement, making sure water can drain off, and cleaning the ends of culverts by removing rocks and gravel to clear them. Rocks, flowers, topsoil, and bark mulch around mailboxes along the road and adjacent to the pavement will also need to be removed. Sprinkler heads located within the Town right-of-way could be hit.

We generally will try to clean the shoulders approximately ten (10) feet from the edge of pavement. Most of the work will be done in subdivisions such as Mast Tree, Evergreen Estates, Sleeper Circle, just to name a few. We will post a sign at the entrance to the subdivision or street to let you know when work is ongoing. Work will begin approximately September 1, 2006.

Your cooperation in removing items mentioned that you value, will be helpful to avoid damage before crews are in your neighborhood.

Thank you for your assistance with this project.

FREMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY OLD-TIME COUNTRY FAIR – SEPT 16

2006 marks the 40th Anniversary of the Fremont Historical Society. To mark this special occasion the Society will be hosting an old-fashioned Country Fair on the Museum grounds at the intersection of Beede Road and Route 107 in Fremont on Saturday, September 16th from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. The Society as a fundraiser, would like to invite all town organizations and/or interested individuals to sponsor crafts or flea market tables, exhibit and information booths, food booths, game booths, etc. for just \$20.00 per table. This would be a great opportunity for other organizations to make money for their respective organizations, and will be a wonderful opportunity for townspeople and others to gather together and enjoy a truly nice old-fashioned small-town family-oriented country experience. The raindate for this event will be Sunday, September 17th.

To register for this event, or to obtain more information, please contact FHS President Matthew Thomas at 895-4032, or Treasurer Jean Ragonese at 895-3263.

BOXTOP\$ & LABELS FOR EDUCATION

Ellis School students entering PS - 5th grade in September 2006 have an opportunity to "Blast Off the Summer - NH Style" by collecting and attaching 25 BoxTops to a Summer Collection sheet depicting 25 NH trivia facts. All completed collection sheets returned to the Ellis School lobby collection box by Friday 9/8/06 will be entered in drawings for school supplies. Pick up your summer collection sheet(s) at the collection boxes located in Ellis School lobby, Town Hall and Town Library.

SUPER BoxTop\$ (worth 30 cents) can now be found on twenty-five (25) General Mills products - and - by using the special code on these products and becoming a first-time Booster Club member by 10/31/06, Ellis will receive an additional 70 cents !!

Reminder When shopping for school supplies, remember that BoxTop\$ For Education can be found on Kleenex tissue and Ziploc bags/containers. Also, BoxTop\$ can now be found on ScotTissue, Viva and Cottonelle products.

Starting in August, the LabelsForEducation program will begin offering 5 point bonus labels on various Campbells, PepperidgeFarms, Swanson, Prego, and V-8 products. We are on our way to earning more FREE Educational materials for Ellis School with the 2006-07 LabelsForEducation collection program - and keep collecting the Tyson ProjectA+ labels too.

EDUCATION & OUTREACH WORKSHOP

The Future Land Use and Zoning Subcommittee and the Open Space Committee will hold an Education and Outreach workshop on September 19, 2006 from 6:30 to 9:00 pm in the Land Use Meeting Room. Check our website in the coming weeks for more details at www.Fremont.nh.gov and click on Open Space or Planning Board.

FREMONT HISTORICAL MUSEUM OPEN SUNDAY AUGUST 13TH

The Fremont Historical Society Museum located at 8 Beede Hill Road will be open on Sunday August 13th from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Many new artifacts have been donated to the Society in recent months and are worth coming to see and enjoy. Admission is FREE. Also, to open the Museum by special appointments can be scheduled by calling FHS Pres. Matthew Thomas at 895-4032. The Museum will also be open on Sunday, September 10th from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.

FREMONT GRAVESTONE RESTORATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers interested in helping to clean and repair gravestones in Fremont cemeteries are asked to contact Fremont Historical Society Secretary Ed Wall at 679-1926 for further information. This

is a worthwhile and important undertaking so that old historic Poplin/Fremont gravestones can be preserved and restored for the future. YOUR help and assistance would be much appreciated with this important project.

ZBA - EQUITABLE WAIVER OF DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS

RSA 674:33A - I. when a lot or other division of land or structure thereupon, is discovered to be in violation of a physical layout or dimensional requirement imposed by a zoning ordinance enacted pursuant to RSA 674:16, the Zoning Board of Adjustment shall, upon application by and with the burden of proof on the property owner, grant an equitable waiver from the requirement, if and only if the Board makes all of the following findings.

(a) That the violation was not noticed or discovered by any owner, former owner, owner's agent or representative, or municipal official, until after a structure in violation had been substantially completed, or until after a lot or other division of land in violation had been subdivided by conveyance to a bona fide purchaser for value;

(b) That the violation was not an outcome of ignorance of the law or ordinance, failure to inquire, obfuscation, misrepresentation, or bad faith on the part of any owner, owner's agent or representative, but was instead caused by either a good faith error in measurement or calculation made by an owner or owner's agent, or by an error in ordinance interpretation or applicability made by a municipal official in the process of issuing a permit over which that official had authority;

(c) That the physical or dimensional violation does not constitute a public or private nuisance, nor diminish the value of other property in the area, nor interfere with or adversely affect any present or permissible future uses of any such property; and

(d) That due to the degree of past construction or investment made in ignorance of the facts constituting the violation, the cost of correction so far outweighs any public benefit to be gained, that it would be inequitable to require the violation to be corrected.

II. In lieu of the findings required by the Board under subparagraphs I(a) and (b), the owner may demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Board that the violation has existed for 10 years or more, and that no enforcement action, including written notice of violation, has been commenced against the violation during that time by the municipality or any person directly affected.

III. Application and hearing procedures for equitable waivers under this section shall be governed by RSA 676:5 through 7. Rehearings and appeals shall be governed by RSA 677:2 through 14.

IV. Waivers shall be granted under this section only from physical layout, mathematical or dimensional requirements, and not from use restrictions. An equitable waiver granted under this section shall not be construed as a nonconforming use, and shall not exempt future use, construction, reconstruction, or additions on the property from full compliance with the ordinance. This section shall not be construed to alter the principle that owners of land are bound by constructive knowledge of all applicable requirements. This section shall not be construed to impose upon municipal officials any duty to guarantee the correctness of plans reviewed by them or property inspected by them.

Relief by way of an Equitable Waiver of Dimensional Requirements involves making application to the Zoning Board of Adjustment and a Public Hearing. The fee is \$150.00, there is a \$100.00 cost for advertising and \$11.00 per abutter to cover the cost of certified mailings.

ESTUARIES CONFERENCE

The 2006 State of the Estuaries Conference will be held on October 27 in Portsmouth NH. It will feature information on environmental monitoring, water quality, wildlife, shellfish resources, land use, habitat protection and habitat restoration in the NH coastal watershed. To register call 603 862 3403, email Contact.NHEP@unh.edu, or go to www.nhep.unh.edu.